

PATENT**REMARKS**

Claims 7, 9-14 and 16-20 are pending in the present application.

In the Office Action mailed August 23, 2005, the Examiner provisionally rejected claims 7, 9-14 and 16-20 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 9-13 of U.S. Patent No. 5,991,284.

Double Patenting Rejection:

Enclosed is a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) which overcomes the obviousness-type double patenting rejection of claims 7, 9-14 and 16-20.

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REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that all pending claims in the application are patentable. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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